

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Meeting Date: April 19, 2006

Division: County Administrator

Bulk Item: Yes X No

Department: County Administrator

Staff Contact Person: Tom Willi

AGENDA ITEM WORDING:

Approval/confirmation of Leonard "Ty" Symroski as Growth Management Director.

ITEM BACKGROUND:

Florida Statute 125.74(1)(k) requires Board of County Commission confirmation of department head appointments made by the County Administrator.

See attached resume.

This position was vacated by Tim McGary earlier this year.

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION:

CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Approval

TOTAL COST: NA

BUDGETED: Yes No X

COST TO COUNTY: NA

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

REVENUE PRODUCING: Yes No X

AMOUNT PER MONTH **Year**

APPROVED BY: County Atty OMB/Purchasing Risk Management

DIVISION DIRECTOR APPROVAL:

Thomas J. Willi

(Thomas J. Willi)

DOCUMENTATION: Included X

Not Required

DISPOSITION:

AGENDA ITEM #

Leonard E. Symroski Jr. (Ty)

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EXPERIENCE

City of Key West, August 1998 to present

- City Planner. Salary approximately \$70,000 / year. Supervises the Planning Department consisting of 6 employees (4 planners and 2 administrative assistants).
- Responsible for updating the comprehensive plan, conducting special studies and coordinating review of medium to large development proposals.
- Regularly coordinates with the Building and Code Enforcement Department.
- Began implementation of the land development regulations adopted under the previous city planner.
- Expanded the city's website by overseeing the addition of development applications, the zoning map, aerial photographs, and the Statistical Abstract.
- Co-director of the emergency operations center.

State of Florida, Department of Community Affairs, February 1995 – July 1998

- Planning Manager of the field office of the Florida Keys Area of Critical State Concern. Salary approximately \$35,000 / year. Responsible for supervising the 4 employees.
- Reviewed all local permits for compliance with local comprehensive plans.
- Assisted local agencies to come together on issues of mutual concern. One initiative was reconciling development rights, traffic congestion and the potential loss of critical habitat of the Key Deer.

Private Consultant, July 1994 to January 1995

- Co-author of the Bahama Village Redevelopment Plan.
- Consultant to private individuals regarding comprehensive plans and development regulations in Key West and the Florida Keys.

Monroe County, Florida (the Florida Keys), April 1984 to April 1994

- Project Manager, Land Development Regulations. Prepared a major rewrite of the Land Development Regulations for the new comprehensive plan.
- Development Review Coordinator. Responsible for supervising county staff and chairing an interagency committee during the review of development proposals. Developed a process for tracking development applications and all related staff work in the County's computer system.
- Principal author of the Ports, Aviation and Related Facilities and Transit Elements of the updated comprehensive plan for Monroe County.

- Hurricane Andrew Emergency Operations Center Planner. Drafted a map of Florida City for use by all agencies providing emergency relief and co-produced a trilingual newsletter for distribution to hurricane victims.
- Member of the South Florida Metropolitan Area Aviation System Plan Steering Committee.
- Capital Improvements Coordinator. Prepared annual assessments of the capacity of public facilities
- Coordinated redrafting of the zoning maps.
- Coordinated traffic impact review with the Florida Department of Transportation, developed traffic study guidelines and directed private traffic impact studies prepared for developers by private consultants.
- Acting Senior Planner. Worked with the project manager in supervising the planning staff preparing the comprehensive plan and land development regulations.

City of Sanibel, Florida, 1977 to 1980

- Senior planner. Participated in all aspects of planning and development review. This ranged from planning bicycle paths to reviewing the development application for a reverse osmosis water treatment plant with storage tanks.
- Planning technician. Co-produced the Ecological Zones Map for Sanibel Island.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science. University of Michigan, 1975. Major in Land Use Planning
Master of Region Planning. University of North Carolina, 1982

MAJOR PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS

- Florida Beaches & Shores annual conference (1979)
- American Planning Association, Florida Chapter Annual Conference, 1999
- Annual conferences of the American Planning Association. 2003 and 2004
- University of Florida Law School Environmental Conference
- Urban Waterfronts Conference, Montreal, 2003.
- Award from the Key West Chamber of Commerce for efforts on affordable housing

AFFILIATIONS

Chair, American Planning Association, Resort and Tourism Division. 2002 to April 2006
Sunrise Rotary of Key West

REFERENCES

Available upon request.